

October 12, 2020

St. Louis County COVID-19 Update

College Students

As the holiday season approaches and college students return from school, it is imperative to encourage them to get tested for COVID-19 and get the flu vaccine. Even if individuals experience no symptoms, exposure to either COVID-19 or the flu could lead to illness at home, especially with those who have multiple generations in one household.

Contact tracing among college students is difficult, and it becomes more challenging with increased travel. By taking these personal protective measures, they are not only keeping themselves safe, but family and loved ones as well.

As previously indicated, there are many common symptoms between influenza and COVID-19, but there is only a vaccine at this time to prevent the flu. According to the CDC, in the 2019 to 2020 flu season, there were between 24,000 and 62,000 deaths from influenza in the United States, with elderly people, young children and pregnant women at elevated risk. Getting a flu shot not only reduces the odds of getting sick, it often means a less severe illness.

Please make an appointment to get your flu shot today. Click [here](#) to make a reservation.

Pop Up Testing

In partnership with St. Louis County Libraries, the following pop-up COVID-19 testing sites are available for the rest of October. Appointments can be made online [here](#). Testing is also available at two DPH Clinics, John C. Murphy Health Clinic and South County Health Clinic. Feel free to disseminate or share [this video](#) and the attached graphic.

Natural Bridge Branch (North County)	7606 Natural Bridge Rd, 63121	Tuesday, October 13, 2020	0800-Noon
Jamestown Bluffs (North County)	4153 N Highway 67 63034	Thursday, October 15, 2020	0800-Noon
Samuel C Sachs (West County)	16400 Burkhardt, 63017	Tuesday, 10-20-2020	0800-Noon
Headquarters (Mid-County)	1640 S Lindbergh, 63131	Thursday, 10-22-2020	0800-Noon
Meramec Valley Branch (South County)	1501 San Simeon Way, 63026	Tuesday, 10-27- 2020	0800-Noon

Lewis and Clark (North County)	9909 Lewis-Clark, 63136	Thursday, 10-29- 2020	0800- Noon
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